

1. (Once amended)

A device for the facilitated insertion of the male member into a condom, comprising:

a hollow element for containing the condom, provided with an access aperture;
means for fastening a brim of the condom to the access aperture of the hollow element, in
order to form an air chamber between external walls of the condom and internal walls of
the hollow element; and
means, associated with said hollow element, for creating a depression inside said air
chamber forcing adhesion of the condom to the internal walls of the hollow element and
allowing the subsequent facilitated insertion of the male member, the hollow element
being provided with mobile walls, said depression resulting from the increased volume of
the hollow element, the device being characterised in that it further comprises
a bearing element located inside the hollow element for bearing a base of the
condom.

2. (Once amended)

The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said means for creating a depression
comprises a suction duct provided with a non-return valve.

4. (Twice amended)

The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said mobile walls, are articulated in a
telescopic relation therebetween.

5. (Twice amended)

The device according to claim 1, characterized in that the elevation of the bearing element inside
the hollow element is adjustable.

6. (Twice amended)

The device according to claim 1, characterized in that it comprises means for avoiding contact
between the external walls of the condom and the internal walls of the hollow element.

8. (Twice amended)

The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said means, for fastening a brim of the condom to the access aperture of the hollow element are integrally formed therewith.

10. (Once amended)

A method for the facilitated insertion of the male member into a condom, comprising the steps of:

inserting the condom into a hollow element so as to form an air chamber between external walls of the condom and internal walls of the hollow element;

creating a depression in said air chamber, forcing adhesion of the condom to the internal walls of the hollow element, said depression being obtained by increasing the volume of the hollow element;

inserting the male member inside the internal area of the condom; and

removing the condom from the hollow element, in order for said condom to adhere to the male member, characterised in that it further comprises the step of providing a bearing plane for a base of the condom before said step of creating a depression.

11. (Once amended)

The method according to claim 10, characterized in that said depression is obtained by suction of the air contained inside said hollow element.

12. (Twice amended)

The method according to claim 10, characterized in that it furthermore comprises a step for re-establishing after the removal of the condom from the hollow element, the internal pressure existing before the depression.

14. (New)

A device for insertion of a male member into a condom, comprising:

a hollow element for containing the condom, the hollow element being provided with an access aperture;

a fastening ring for fastening a brim of the condom to the access aperture of the hollow element, thus forming an air chamber between external walls of the condom and internal walls of the hollow element;

a suction duct, associated with said hollow element, for creating a depression inside said air chamber forcing adhesion of the condom to the internal walls of the hollow element and allowing subsequent insertion of the male member, the hollow element being provided with mobile walls, the depression resulting from the increased volume of the hollow element; and

a support element located inside the hollow element for supporting a base of the condom.

15. (New)

The device according to claim 14, wherein said fastening ring is located proximal to said access aperture of said hollow element.

16. (New)

The device according to claim 14, wherein said suction duct is located distal said access aperture of said hollow element.

17. (New)

The device according to claim 14, wherein said mobile walls are articulated in a telescopic relationship therebetween.

18. (New)

The device according to claim 14 further comprising a protective sheath disposed along the internal walls of said hollow element.

19.(New)

The device according to claim 18, wherein said protective sheath is removable.

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20. (New)

The device according to claim 14, wherein said fastening ring is disposable and separable from said hollow element.